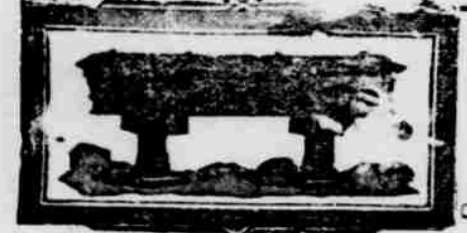


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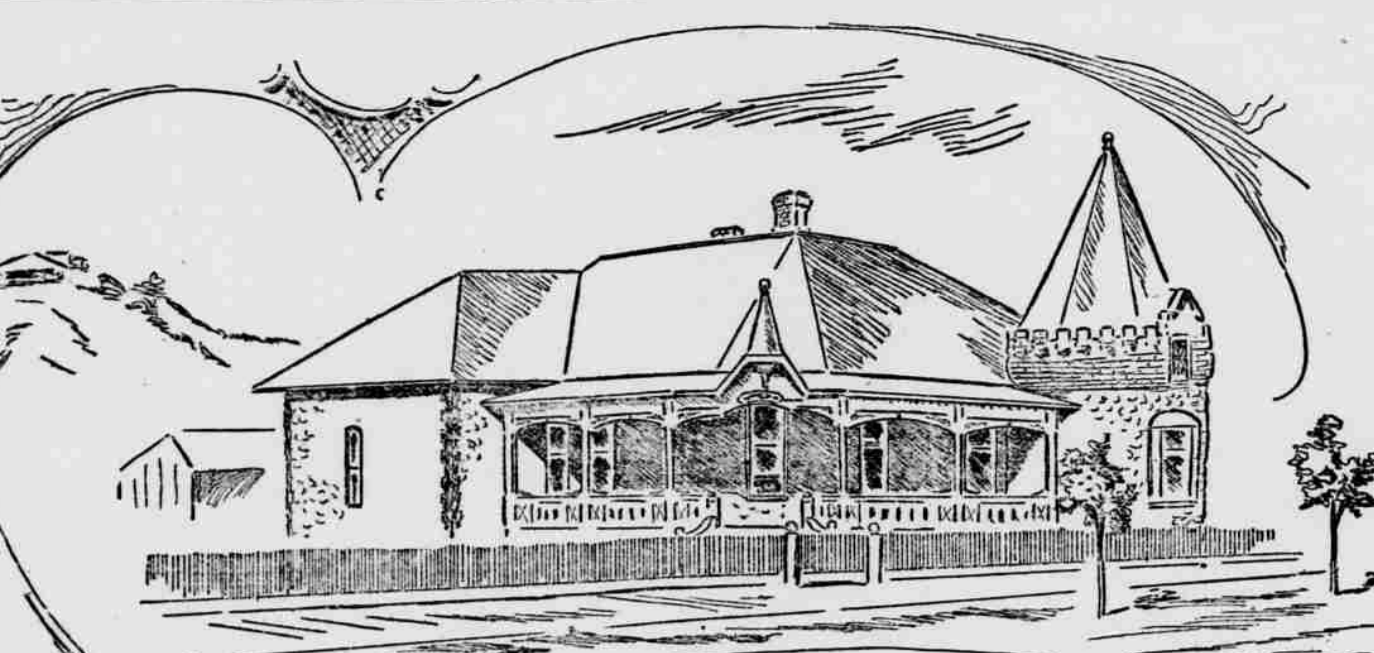
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WATER FOR DESERT MINES.

A Question of Much Importance in the Southwest.
The various sources of supply from distant rivers or springs, tunnels in the mountains, and wells are generally located at varying distances from the mines, rendering a pumping plant necessary, says the Mining and Metallurgical Journal. Pumping water to a mine in the desert sections of the southwest is a branch of the industrial development of the mining industry, which is not so much a drawback as many would suppose for it is a known quantity.

The problem of keeping a wet mine free from water, and contending with an ever-increasing water flow in a wet mine is a much more troublesome, difficult and expensive operation, and one which there is generally little or no profit, unless the district as a dry one like the southwest, where the water can be used for mining and milling purposes. It is, however, generally the case that desert mines are dry, and water has to be transported from the nearest source of a pure supply. Given a pure water supply these questions are easy of solution, and the trouble is liquidated in short order, by the use of the various well known classes of pumps.

When the water supply is pure, the question is one of cost on hand and amount of water required and distance it has got to be piped. There are, however, many sources of water supply in the southwest, where the water is alkaline or salt to a greater or less extent. Such water is unfit for domestic purposes, steam use, gold mill supply, and concentrating some ores. It is therefore necessary to purify such water, and make it available for domestic and all mining applications. There are so many large districts in the southwest where this condition of salt water supply at present is not made use of, and the mining interests of these sections are in consequence neglected and undeveloped, and the necessity of a system of water distillation for these sections is the only means possible of making such sections large ore-producing camps.

The impurities in the water are generally larger or smaller proportions of common salt, (sodium chloride) sodium salts, (carbonates and sulphates) magnesium salts, (sulphates and carbonates) and in many instances lime borates, iron, arsenic, copper, etc., when present in varying quantities render the water poisonous to both man and animals. In some instances, the mineral impurities, such as borax and soda salts might be made to pay part of the expense of distillation. The use of evaporators and condensers, to produce good water from sea water on ship board, is a well known operation. The economy of the plant required renders it well adapted for use at numerous places in our large desert sections, where wood for fuel can be obtained.

There are many stations on our numerous lines of railway where a plant of this kind could be operated with more economy than by hauling water in tank cars for a hundred or more miles, to supply the station employees and locomotives, as the salt water at these points is not only under pressure conditions. When the usual price of drinking water is 5 cents a gallon, the value of an economical plant for the production of a domestic supply of water is a necessity which will pay for itself in the most incomplete knowledge of our desert districts can appreciate. To those who are, however, well acquainted with the possibilities of many camps, where the supply of alkaline or salt water is not only under pressure to be hauled along distances, the necessity and value of a condensing plant can be properly estimated. The ranches bordering on the desert are very interested in this subject, and a condensing plant for domestic use would make thousands of points habitable, where at the present time no one can live for lack of a pure supply of water. From these facts it can be seen that this subject is of the first importance to the settlement and mining development of the southwestern states.

Fifty million bushels is the estimate for the wheat crop of Kansas. This is the largest crop since 1891 or 1892. The corn crop will be a record, a fair one in that state, and there are 87,000,000 bushels left over from last year. The average yield of potatoes is over twenty-five bushels to the acre, which will make a crop of 25,000,000. For the first time in many years Kansas really has a fine crop of most agricultural products and the farmers are happy. More than that, they are paying off their mortgages and taking care of back interest, which they have never expected them to do. Politics have almost disappeared in the face of the goodness of Providence in sending such crops to reward the farmers. The occurrence of the professional politician will be gone.—(Chicago Chronicle.)

About 200 bicycle riders who took a spin into the country out from Milwaukee, Wis., for pleasure, had to walk back to the city, a distance of seven or eight miles owing to punctures. Some one buried a plank filled full of spikes in the bicycle path on the Cedarburg road between Madison and Thiensville and succeeded in disabling 200 wheels before the cause of the disaster was discovered. This road is a favorite with the wheelmen of this city. Another plant was discovered buried on Ninth street near the city limits.

SHOT AND BURNED.

A Baxter dispatch says: Ed Williams, a negro desperado and assailant of white women has met death at the hands of a sheriff's posse. A bout 1 a. m. Monday Deputy Sheriff Hammock, with a posse of five men, rode out to Williams' cabin to execute a warrant of arrest against him. The desperado evidently had received information as to the sheriff's intentions, for when the posse arrived at the house they found Williams at home, with barricaded windows and doors, determined to resist any attempt to effect his capture.

A demand for surrender was answered by the crack of Williams' rifle, and the posse hurried to cover, where a consultation was held. It was determined to burn Williams out. Three of the posse engaged the desperado's attention by keeping up a fusillade at the windows and doors, while the others quietly approached the angle formed by the chimney and started a fire of incendiary fodder, which soon enveloped the cabin in flames, the posse keeping in the shadows and watching every move of egress.

Soon the roof began to fall, flaming pieces of the logs composing it dropping into the cabin, forcing Williams to throw open the door and bound out into the open air. Winchester in hand, which he threw to his shoulder, he fired a shot at the posse, and the crack of a rifle rang out from the shadows, quickly followed by a second one, and Williams clutched at his breast, staggered backward and fell into the blazing building, the body being completely incinerated.

Sheriff Hammock and posse rode in to town this morning and related the above story of the fate of the negro who has terrorized the community in which he lived for years, and defying the officers to arrest him. He had sworn that he would not be captured alive, and he kept his oath. Numerous cases of criminal assault were laid to his door, the last one being that of a German woman, who lived with her three children five miles west of Williams' cabin, her husband being dead. The posse escaped without a single member receiving a scratch, notwithstanding the fact that the crack of their rifles was always answered by a shot from the Winchester of the entrapped desperado.

Tale of Horror.
A courier came in Saturday with a tale of horror. While going through the hills of Elmontera, in Matanzas province, he came across the remains of an insurgent hospital on the estate of El Plaza. There had been a large stone and wooden building there that had been used. The building had been fired and was filled with half-consumed corpses of the captured rebels. On the floor in front of the building were found the bodies of fifteen others, who had been killed in the most barbarous manner. Young trees had been bent over and some of the Cubans tied by the feet to the tops, and the rebels swung back they hung dangling in this position, while others, it is thought from the position of the bodies, died from starvation. The bodies of several tied to the trees contained bullet holes which showed the manner of their deaths. It is not known when this was done, as no details reached the junta here, but it is supposed that the village was committed some time within the last fortnight.—Cuban correspondence.

War on Gamblers.
The city authorities of Colorado City, Col., have begun war upon the gamblers and bunco men of that place. The other night 35 were dragged into the police station and brought before court today. Of these 33 plead not guilty, and their cases were set for tomorrow at 9 o'clock. The two who pleaded guilty were fined \$10 and costs and ordered to leave town. Marshal Allen of Colorado City believes that the majority of these men are from Denver and that they are responsible for the numerous petty burglaries which have occurred during the past few weeks. He proposes to run them out of town or put them in jail.

In Behalf of His Sex.
When a woman does something to win distinction, her friends refer to her as Mrs. Marie Mayberry, instead of Mrs. Moses Mayberry; but when she has left her husband and gone to the front in the late war as a private in an Illinois regiment, and at the conclusion of hostilities he entered the ministry. He is the author of a topical history of the bible, about to be published, and is a native of Ohio.

Liquor Traffic Stopped in Emporia.
An Emporia, Kan., dispatch says: For the first time in the history of this city the Murray prohibition law is being thoroughly enforced. For some months past the city authorities have been virtually licensing the liquor traffic, by assessing monthly fines against dealers. Last Saturday evening County Attorney Dickson notified all "joint" keepers that they must close, and the drug stores that they must sell only as provided by law, for medical, mechanical and scientific purposes, then only under restrictions. Today careful inquiry failed to find any violators of the law. Next month the state normal school and college of Emporia will open, and the temperance people demanded that the sale of liquor be stopped in anticipation of the arrival of students.

THE BREAK IN SILVER.

Causes a Panic in Chili With Wide-Spread Loss.
A dispatch to The Herald from Valparaiso says: The persistent fall in the price of bar silver has caused a panic among the producers in Chili. Many of the principal mines of the republic will be closed soon and if the price continues to fall ruin will be the only result.

RESULT IN MEXICO.

As Silver Goes Down Everything but Wages Goes Up.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Consul-General Dudley, stationed at Nueva Laredo, in a communication to the state department, says that as a result of the recent fall in the price of silver there has been a marked rise in the price of all commodities in Mexico. This is true of domestic products. Rents are included in the rise of prices. He says there has been no corresponding advance of wages or salaries. Labor stays on its silver basis.

A dispatch to The Herald from Mexico City says: Exchange on New York has reached 145 premium. In other words it takes \$2.45 Mexican money to buy an American dollar, containing less silver than the Mexican dollar. This enormous depreciation of the Mexican dollar is ruining merchants. They are cancelling all orders for imports and many will close their stores for lack of cash to pay their stocks on hand at a rate high enough to replenish them. They believe that the price is unnaturally depressed and is due to a conspiracy abroad.

Meanwhile home manufacturers are becoming as the depreciation in silver makes a high tariff wall. Coffee, sugar, tobacco and sisal hemp planters are prosperous, as they sell abroad for gold and pay their laborers in silver. The bankers here say a handful of buyers as much goods as it ever did, except of the imported variety. The government is hard hit as it has to pay the interest on the foreign debt in gold. There is some talk of repudiation, but there is no knowing what President Diaz will do. He may refund the 6 per cent debt, paying only 3 per cent interest hereafter.

Capitalists are flocking into the country to take advantage of the high premium and invest their gold. The belief here is that labor paid in silver will eventually win against labor paid in gold. In support of this theory, it is pointed out that the tin mines of Cornwall will have to shut down because they can not compete with those in the straits settlements and Borneo, where Mexican dollars are current. The bankers here say a handful of men in London are manipulating the money of the world, which means that they are controlling the prices of the world and that it is the old fight of money against society.

Rich Mexicans, accustomed to living much of the time abroad, are staying at home investing their silver in building and improvements. All kinds of real estate are rapidly advancing in price and the demand for masons and contractors is large. Attention is also being directed to tropical agriculture.

Moral Reform at Fort McPherson.

For the first time in a number of years a post chaplain has been assigned to duty at Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga., by the war department. Fort McPherson has been without the guidance of a spiritual shepherd for a long period, and it is intimated that the object of the war department in supplying the deficiency is to inaugurate certain moral reforms among the officers and men stationed at this post, which was the scene of the recent famous army scandal.

Chaplain Orville J. Nave, selected for this important missionary work, is a member of the Methodist church, and for the past seven years he has been on duty at Fort Niobrara, Neb. He served through the late war as a private in an Illinois regiment, and at the conclusion of hostilities he entered the ministry. He is the author of a topical history of the bible, about to be published, and is a native of Ohio.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY

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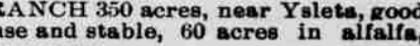
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